2005 Selected Maternal Demographics and Indicators

2000 Colocida Materia		Low Birth			
		Weight			Apgar
		Births <	Late Prenatal	Premature <37	Score <6 -
Bexar County Births	Number	2500 grams	Care Births	Weeks	5 Min
Hispanic - Mexican	14,915	1,273	4,278	1,753	127
Hispanic - Puerto Rican	175	22	38	25	8
Hispanic - Cuban	18	1	4	-	1
Hispanic - Other	2,166	220	752	321	30
Hispanic - Total	17,274	1,516	5,072	2,099	166
Non Hispanic White Births	6,321	491	1,098	689	154
African American Births	1,447	243	479	257	48
American Indian	34	1	12		
Asian Indian	122	12	21	15	6
Chinese	43	3	8	3	
Filipino	85	6	26	10	8
Japanese	20	2	4	2	1
Korean	47	6	12	6	5
Vietnamese	53	2	16	6	1
Native Hawiian	8	2	1	2	
Guam	8	1	2		
Samoan	6	1	2	1	
Other	114	5	1	10	-
Total Births	25,582	2,291	6,754	3,100	389

	Apgar Score - 5	
Bexar County	Min	% of Total
Apgar Score 0 to 5	389	2%
Apgar Score 6 to 8	2,509	10%
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Apgar Score 9 to 10	22,644	89%
Apgar Score NT	24	0%
Apgar Score UK	16	0%
Total	25,582	100%

		Rate per 1,000
Bexar County	Number	Births
Apgar Score <6 - 5		
Min	389	15.2
Apgar Score <6 - 5		
Min Hispanic	166	9.6
Apgar Score - <6 -		
5 Min NH White		
Births	154	24.4
Apgar Score - <6 -		
5 Min African		
American Births	48	33.2
Apgar Score - <6 -		
5 Min Other Births	21	38.9

The State of Texas allows people to report more than one race/ethnicity for birth data, making it difficult at times to analyze the data. For the purpose of this report, SAMHD used criteria based on population to analyze the data, starting with Hispanic, then Non-Hispanic White, and then African American. This means a Hispanic-Asian mother, for example, would be counted as Hispanic.

* What is the Apgar score?

One minute — and again five minutes — after a baby is born, doctors calculate the child's Apgar score which rates the baby's appearance, pulse, responsiveness, muscle activity, and breathing on a scale of 0 to 2 (2 being the strongest). The one minute and five minute scores are totaled, 10 being a perfect score. This allows the practitioner to determine the baby's progress and whether there has been a response to any initial medical intervention. A score of 7 to 10 is considered normal at five minutes. If a baby scores 6 or less at the five-minute mark, he may need medical help and the practitioner will determine what steps need to be taken.